MINUTES TOWN OF EDGEWOOD BUDGET PREPARATION MEETING – MAY 14, 2008 @ 6:30 P.M.

EDGEWOOD COMMUNITY CENTER – #27 E. FRONTAGE ROAD

1. CALL TO ORDER.

Mayor Stearley called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. All Councilors were present with the exception of Councilor Abrams.

Also present were Mr. Marcus Rael, Town Attorney, Ms. Karen Mahalick, Manager, Community Planning & Development, and Ms. Estefanie Muller, Acting Administrator Clerk-Treasurer.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA.

MOTION: Councilor Felton made a motion to approve the Agenda as

presented. Councilor Simmons seconded the motion.

VOTE: Councilor Simmons voted aye. Councilor Felton voted aye.

Councilor Hill voted aye. The motion carried.

4. BUDGET PREPARATION.

At this time Councilor Abrams was present.

- A. Complete Departments.
- B. Finish Budget.

Mayor Stearley stated he would like for Mr. Rael, Town Attorney to address the anti-donation clause and what is allowable and not allowable for the Town to participate in legally.

Mr. Rael read the State Statute and stated the Constitution strictly prohibits donations to individuals by governmental entities. The provision provides in pertinent part, neither the state or any county, school district or municipality, except as otherwise provided in this constitution, shall directly or indirectly lend or pledge its credit or make any donation to in aid of any person, association or public or private corporation. The uses provided for in the Constitution are care and maintenance of sick and indignant person, establishing a veteran's scholarship program, a loan program for students of the healing arts, providing land buildings or facility infrastructure to support new or expanding business, and providing for affordable housing.

Mr. Rael stated	the Library is a non-profit 501-3C and can only receive
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funding should it become a department of the Town. The Town would then own the inventory and look into the lease of the building.

The Council reviewed the Sewer costs, loan application and payment structure. In the near future work will be done to develop hook up fees and rates.

Mayor Stearley stated Mr. Wayne Schober hours will be cut back at this time. Other budget cuts were to the Parks & Recreation events were cut to \$15,000. Ms. Myra Oden, Chamber of Commerce will meet with Mayor Stearley to discuss the costs for future planned events. The Street department was reviewed and the plan for paving and dust suppressant schedule. The Town Road Department will be moved to the Wastewater Treatment Plant, the rental property owned by Mr. Calkins will be vacated and the insurance policy terminated.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS, CALENDAR REVIEW & FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS.

- C. Regular Council Meeting May 21, 2008 @ 6:30 P.M.
- D. Special Council Meeting May 28, 2008 @ 6:30 P.M.
- E. Regular Council Meeting June 4, 2008 @ 6:30 P.M.
- F. Regular Council Meeting June 18, 2008 @ 6:30 P.M.

Note: The Town Hall Office will be closed on Monday, May 26, 2008 in observance of Memorial Day.

5. ADJOURN.

MOTION: Councilor Simmons made a motion to adjourn the Meeting. Councilor Felton seconded the motion.

VOTE: All Councilors voted aye.

Mayor Stearley adjourned the meeting at 8:40 P.M.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 21ST day of MAY, 2008.

ATTEST:	Honorable Robert Stearley, Mayor
Estefanie B. Muller, Administrator	Clerk/Treasurer